MISCELLANEOUS.

Subject No. 145.

(a) Paid agents for Agricultural Banks.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The members of an Agricultural Bank receive no remuneration for their services in connection with the Bank. It is difficult to select from among the members an intelligent and qualified person to be agent. It is therefore necessary to employ a paid agent.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.

(b) Cashing cheques of Agricultural Banks.

Summary of discussion.—(*b*) Taluk officials refuse to cash cheques in connection with Agricultural Banks. This leads to difficulties and delays.

The complaint has special reference to a cheque issued on the 20th September last by the President and Agent of the Sargur Bank and not yet cashed.

Reply of Government.—Owing to suspected mismanagement, payment in the particular case referred to is understood to have been withheld pending investigation.

Subject No. 146.

Modification of Rules under the Epidemic Diseases Regulation.

Summary of discussion.—The rules under the Epidemic Diseases Regulation should be modified so as to render them agreeable to the people. The member introducing this subject said that his complaint was chiefly about the malpractices and irregularities of petty officials of the Plague Department. At Bannur, roofs of several houses were removed during the rainy season to the injury of the houses, and everything therein exposed. At Srirangarajpur, considerable property was lost, boxes being broken open and grain pits looted. Police protection was inefficient, and people were prohibited from entering their houses on pain of prosecution.

Mr. Nadig Krishnappa of Krishnarajpete said that Kikkeri people too had a similar grievance, and property in deserted houses was not properly guarded by the Police.

Mr. Nadig Sivappa of Sorab Taluk remarked that Government had spent several lakhs of Rupees on Plagu measures; but nothing definite had been ascertained as t the cause of the appearance and spread of the disease When rats die, it is a clear indication that Plague *wil appear* and people themselves *will* evacuate their places o abode. Nothing more is required. People should be en couraged to do everything needful for themselves. *Wh spend* more money? The Regulation may be *repealed* an people left alone. Plague should be treated like any other dis ease all restrictions such as disinfection, compulsory se gregation, detention, &c., being removed.

Per contra.—Mr. Venkatramaiya of Chitaldrug spok in favor of the strict enforcement of the plague measures If anything, even more stringent rules are desirable.

Reply of Government.—Any individual complaints shoul have been brought to the notice of the local authorities

The object of the Plague Prevention measures was explained to the members, and the subject referred to the Plague Commissioner.

Subject No. 147.
Plague Measures.

Summary of discussion —There is an old book in Sanskrit, dealing with a disease corresponding in every respect to the present plague. The remedial measures therein mentioned may be tried as far as possible with the help of Native Physicians.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Subject No. 148
Institution of Relief Measures.

Summary of discussion.—People are subjected to great distress, the prevalence of plague having prevented them from going out to earn their livelihood. It is therefore requested that arrangements may be made for importation of grain from outside, and for the institution of relief measures.

Reply of Government.—Whatever is required is being done.

Subject No. 149.
Provision for small sanitary houses in plague stricken parts.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that in plague-stricken tracts Government may build small sanitary houses in healthy localities and give them to poor people, recovering the cost price in easy instalments, in the same way as loans given under the Land Improvement Loa. Regulation are recovered.

Reply of Government.—Referred to Plague Commissioner.

Subject No. 150.
Furnishing references to D. R. A. Members.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that Deputy Commissioners may be asked to furnish Representative Members with such references as they may apply for.

Mr. Mallikarjunappa who introduced the subject, withdrew it, but Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao of Chikmagalur said that the information asked for regarding the cost of Chikmagalur Water Works was refused by the Executive Engineer and the Deputy Commissioner.

Reply of Government.—This will be enquired into.

Subject No. 151.
Opinions of Representative Members on Legislative Enactments.

Summary of discussion.—Representative Members may be consulted before legislative enactments are passed.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Subject No. 152.
Special recognition of Membership of Municipal and Local Fund Boards and of D. R. A. for 12 years.

Summary of discussion.—In the case of a person who has been continuously for 12 years a member of the Municipal and Local Fund Boards and also of the Mysore Representative Assembly, some special mark of recognition may be shown.

Mr. Chandrasekharaiya of Mysore and others, being the majority of the Assembly, opposed the proposal on the ground that the faithful performance of one's duties was the best reward in such cases.

Reply of Government.—Noted.